

Washburn College
Topeka, Kan.

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Dr. Sereno Watson,
Curator Herb. Camb. Bot. Garden,

Dear Sir:—

I have a piece of
an unknown resin from the Loëss
bluffs of the Missouri R. at Atchison, Kan.
which I need identified as to genus
or species for the work of which I
inclose prospectus.

Would you be willing to attempt to
identify it for me? The nearest native
conifers to Kansas today are a few Pines
at Pina Bluff on Spring river two mi. S.
of the Kan. State line in I. Y. and
S. of Baxter Springs. The resin is not
ordinary resin apparently, but, though
Quaternary, probably belongs to some
modern species. If you attempt the
identification, you may retain half the lump,
sending both ways to be at my expense for postage—
Truly Yours—F. W. Craig.